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# The Elba Clipper

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## \$100,000 GRANT TO HELP REPAIR STREETS

### Town of New Brockton in good shape

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council wasted little time in attending to business and almost set a record in zipping through the nineteen-item agenda. One reason for the haste could have been a high school basketball game between Enterprise and New Brockton.

Police Chief Charles Driggers was allowed to report on the activities of his department first so that he could oversee the security detail at the ballgame.

He told council members that his officers investigated eighteen complaints, made six arrests and issued 16 traffic citations. Chief Driggers stated that five auto accidents in which there were six injuries was investigated by his department. The rescue squad made thirteen runs and the fire department responded to eight fire calls.

The chief reported that he and Officer King will be attending a seminar on domestic violence in Dothan on Feb. 5. He also stated that Assistant Chief Jerry Gilbert will be attending a training session on Feb. 10. Both sessions will be at no cost to the town and will go toward the officers' continuing education credits.

Driggers requested that he be allowed to attend a seminar on supervision which will be held in Montgomery on Feb. 23. This will cost \$99 and will also go toward the chief's annual requirement of 20 hours of continuing education. The

council gave its approval. Mayor Britt Lee commented that the town is in "good shape" financially and last year's business was concluded with no discrepancies.

"They said the town is doing a good job in keeping records," said Lee.

The mayor reported on several items to the council. He noted that the town had received a sizable discount on its workmen's comp insurance premium due to the low number of accidents reported.

At the request of City Clerk Annette Williams, the council approved the addition of Councilman Charles Cole as an authorized "check signer." He will sign checks in the event both Mayor Lee and Mayor Pro-tem Ron McMonagle are not available to do so.

The council gave the mayor the authority to proceed with a plan for controlling the construction of manufactured home subdivisions within the corporate city limits. This was done at the recommendation of the Southeast Alabama Planning and Development Commission.

Authorization was given for the Commission to develop a plan for the town at a cost not to exceed \$500,000.

Mayor Lee told council members that the paperwork had been received on the \$100,000 (grant) state funds to be used in repairing city streets.

He noted that the stipulations for receiving the grant is that the engineering on the work to be performed be submitted for approval before any contracts are let. Also, the town will be required to pay for the work and the state will reimburse the town from the \$100,000 grant. The town will have one year

in which to complete the project.

The council gave the mayor approval to proceed with the project and obtain an engineering firm to draw up a plan. The town will pay the engineering cost and it will not come from the grant funds.

Mayor Lee reminded the council of the annual League of Municipalities Convention to be held in Huntsville, AL on April 10-13. He asked that anyone who could attend to plan to do so.

Mrs. Williams requested the council approve some minor adjustments to the FY-99 budget so that it accurately reflects the financial transactions of the town. One, she asked that the recent loan from the bank in the amount of \$14,900 (for the new police car) be included as income and she also lowered the budgeted amount for workmen's comp insurance to reflect the recent discount on the premium. On the expense side she asked that the purchase amount of the police car be included, a \$1,000 expense on the senior citizen building and some other smaller items be included. The council approved the changes in the budget.

The mayor's three-month report budget was "everything is running pretty good."

During the "council member comments," Councilman Cole suggested that the possibility of asking the citizens to help pay for the new fire truck by "donating" a dollar on their water bill each month be looked into. He commented that this was done back in the 1970's and worked out real well. All council members agreed this was a good idea.

Other items of business consisted of:

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## NOTICE

**Visitor Restriction at Elba Nursing Home** A visitor restriction has been enforced at the Elba Nursing Home, according to Ellen Briley, administrator. Due to widespread cases of flu, pneumonia, and respiratory infections in the community, there will be no routine visiting until further notice. No children must report to the nurses station for further instructions, and everyone's cooperation is appreciated.

## Country Corner robbed at gunpoint

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The Coffee County Sheriff's Department is investigating the early Sunday morning robbery of the Country Corner convenience store in the Victoria Community. The store (BP Station) is located at the intersection of AL Hwy. 167 and AL Hwy. 125.

At approximately 6:30 Sunday morning (Jan. 31), a lone white male entered the store armed with a black semi-automatic handgun. The assailant left the store on foot with an undisclosed amount of money.

No one was hurt during the incident. According to reports, shortly after the robbery, a K-9 unit tracked the man to a spot on Co. Rd. 209 where it appeared that the man entered a vehicle and left the scene.

The suspect is described as a white male, approximately 30-38 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches to 5 feet 9 inches tall, 180 pounds, gray eyes, with brown or reddish-tint hair. He

## National Security building conference center

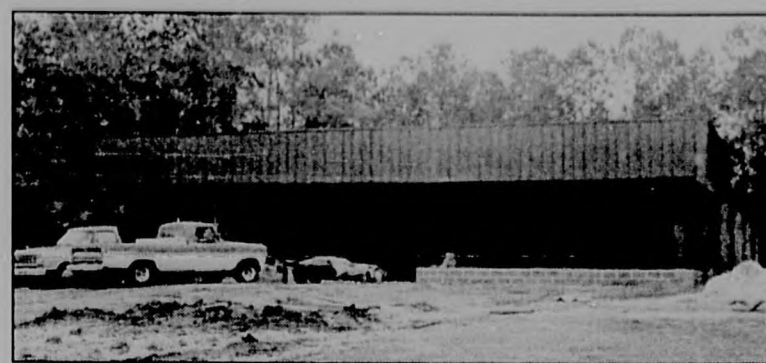
The National Security Group has announced construction of a Conference Center located adjacent to their corporate building and Veterans Memorial Park on U. S. Highway 84, east of downtown of Elba.

Construction is already underway on the 60 x 100 foot steel frame building which will have a masonry block exterior. It will contain two small (12 ft. by 14 ft.) meeting rooms, a catering kitchen, and two large conference rooms measuring 30 ft. x 55 ft. (1650 sq. ft.) and 43 ft. x 43 ft. (1849 sq. ft.).

The facility will be able to provide banquet seating for over 250 people. The building will be entered through a 25 ft. x 60 ft. covered porch overlooking Veterans Memorial Park.

Although the building will function primarily as meeting and conference space for National Security's insurance company operation, it will serve a dual purpose in conjunction with the Veterans Memorial constructed by the firm in 1988.

In the past, CEO Jack R.



WORK IN PROGRESS...Workers are hard at work on completing the conference center

Brunson has had offers of military memorabilia from several area veterans or descendant of veterans, including a WW I uniform, WW I draft notice, and WW I discharge papers. He also has had offers of Vietnam era weapons.

"We've been unable to accept these items simply because we did not have storage or display space," said Brunson.

With the new building, plans are to receive and display the items that have been offered, and to solicit additional items for the

exhibit. Brunson was quick to point out that any weapons received will have the firing pins removed. Anyone with items to donate may contact Mr. Brunson at (334)897-2273 Ext. 203.

National Security plans to make the Conference Center available to groups or individuals for meetings and social events, but details are unavailable at this time.

The estimated completion date for the facility is March 1, and an open house will be scheduled later in the spring or summer.

## Elba Work Release inmates escapees

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

Authorities are searching for an Elba Work Release inmate who left his job Sunday before clocking in for his first night of work.

An Elba Work Release official stated that Allen Lorenzo Cole, age 27, went to work at Wayne Farms located northeast of Elba on Co. Rd. 114 at 9:15 p.m. Sunday evening. He was left alone while someone went to get him a time card, and later could not be found.

Work release officials were notified of Cole's disappearance at 12:30 a.m. It is not known if he left on foot or by some means of transportation.

Cole was serving three years on third degree burglary charges and was scheduled for release in November 1999. Now he will face escape charges which could result in an additional 15 years in prison.

The escapee is from Ozark and officials there have been notified and are looking for him. Cole's wife resides in Ozark and has told officials that she has not heard from him.

Authorities describe Cole as a

black male, 5 feet 8 inches tall,

weighing 203 pounds with a muscular

build, with black hair and brown

eyes.

Anyone with information concerning the escapee should call Elba

Work Release at 897-5738/897-5538 or their local law enforcement agency.

## National Security declares dividend

The Board of Directors of the National Security Group, Inc., declared a quarterly dividend of \$.20 per share at its meeting on Jan. 23. This represents an annual indicated dividend rate of \$.80 per share. This cash dividend is payable on Feb. 26 to shareholders of record Feb. 5.

With its home office in Elba, the National Security Group, Inc., is an insurance holding company. Its shares are traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol NSEC.

## State Senator Jimmy Holley gets key committee appointments

State Senator Jimmy Holley (D-Elba) garnered positions on several key Senate Committees. He represents the 31st Senatorial District which is composed of Coffee and Covington counties and parts of Houston and Dale counties.

During the recent Organizational Session of the Alabama Legislature, Holley was selected to chair the Commerce, Transportation & Utility Committee.

This committee deals with legislation related to such things as public utilities and transportation safety. It will be his responsibility, as chairman, to determine a meeting time for the committee to discuss various bills, recognize various members of the general public who wish to discuss a certain bill, preside over the committee's debate, accept amendments and recognize the committee as a voting body to either pass or defeat pending bills. Legislation passing the committee goes back to the Senate floor for action.

In addition to his chairmanship, Holley will also serve as Vice-Chairman of the Finance and Taxation/General Fund Committee which deals with the funding of education throughout the state.

Both of the above are the two major appropriation committees in the state senate.



SEN. HOLLEY

The senator will also occupy seats on the Senate Education Committee, Health, Education, Business and Labor Committee and the Veterans and Military Affairs Committee.

"All of the committees which I have been appointed to serve on are very good ones," said Holley. "They certainly are of interest to the citizens that live in my district, and I'm looking forward to being actively involved in each and every one of them."

Senator Holley is beginning his first term in the Alabama State Senate after serving five (5) terms in the Alabama House of Representatives from 1974-1994. The first regular session of the legislature for this year is set to begin Tuesday, March 2, 1999.



**FHA/HERO WEEK...** was proclaimed by Elba Mayor James E. Grimes. He is pictured above signing the proclamation with FHA members from Elba High School looking on. The theme for the week of Feb. 7 through 13 is "Unmask Your Potential." The organization helps youth assume their roles in society through home economics education in areas of personal growth, family life, vocational preparation and community involvement. Members participate in school activities such as the homecoming parade, homecoming tea and retired teachers' tea. Plans for this special week include making valentines for nursing home residents, raising money for victims of domestic violence and participating in a state project on traffic safety. Pictured above with Mayor Grimes (seated center) are (l-r): seated - Angie Crocker and Jessica Parks; standing - Kelvin Burks, Janice Clark, and Cory McKee. Mayor Grimes urges all citizens to acquaint themselves with the activities and values of Future Homemakers of America.

## Area Happenings

**PAGEANT MEETING.** A meeting for girls interested in participating in the Miss Elba Pageant has been scheduled for Thursday (TONIGHT), February 4, 1999, at 6:00 p.m. at the Elba Public Library. Girls interested in competing for the title of Miss Elba, Junior Miss Elba, Little Miss Elba, or Future Little Miss should attend this meeting. This event is being sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

**VIETNAM VETS MEETING.** The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 373 will hold its regular monthly meeting on Thursday (TONIGHT), February 4, 1999, at the Clayhatchee Community Building. The meeting starts promptly at 6:30 p.m. Chapter 373 will host the Statewide Awards Banquet in Enterprise on June 12, 1999. All members and their families are encouraged to attend the upcoming planning meetings. For more information call (334) 347-1426 or (334) 598-8804.

**RECOVERY CENTER CLOSING.** The Wiregrass Interfaith Disaster Recovery Center has closed its office at the Elba Recreation Center on North Claxton Ave. Applications for any unmet needs related to the March 1998 flood can still be made until February 15, 1999. Call 897-8368 or 897-6015 to make an appointment.

**SAUSAGE FESTIVAL.** The first ever old time County Fair and Sausage Festival has been scheduled for Saturday, May 8, 1999, at the Heart of Dixie Music Park located just west of Elba on AL Hwy. 166. Watch for more details in *The Elba Clipper* as plans for the event are developed.

**LIFEGUARD CLASSES.** The American Red Cross is announcing lifeguard classes open to everyone in the community. The dates are Feb. 8, 10, 16, 17, 22, 24 & March 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, and 17 - Monday and Wednesdays 5-9 p.m. The classes will be limited to 20 individuals with the cost being \$50 plus the cost of the book (\$1.90). For further information or to register, call the American Red Cross office at 347-2461.

**COUNTY BOE MEETS.** The regular meeting of the Coffee County Board of Education will be held Thursday (TONIGHT), Feb. 4, 1999, at 6:30 p.m. in the board room located in the Central Office in Elba, AL.







# LIFESTYLES

## Allen-Young wedding held November 21st at Whitewater Baptist Church

Sharon Lynn Young and Kevin Lavon Allen were united in marriage Saturday, Nov. 21, 1998, at two o'clock in the afternoon at Whitewater Baptist Church of Elba, with the Rev. Danny Maddox officiating the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young and the late Josie Bowling, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Graham and the late, Steve Allen.

Mrs. Anne Barnes, cousin of the bride, of Coffee Springs, provided a program of wedding music on the organ. Vocal selections included "There's No Way," "From This Moment On," "The Lord's Prayer" and "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" rendered by Mrs. Hattie White.

Hurricane lanterns, attached with cranberry ribbons, lighted the path way leading to the entrance of the church. A wreath of greenery, intertwined with white and cranberry magnolia blooms accented with cranberry bows, adorned the entrance doors.

The registry table, draped in a white battenburg lace cloth, held a white magnolia bloom, plumbed pen and the bride's book, Chris Green of Troy, cousin of the groom, registered guests. Tessa Lee, Cortlin Lee and Adrienne Nelson, cousins of the groom, distributed programs as guests entered the church. The programs were designed and made by Janice Bell.

Inside the church, an arched candelabrum, holding white burning tapers, was the focal point of the sanctuary. The tapers were encircled with smilax and greenery and entwined with miniature white lights.

The chancel was aglow with lighted ficus trees and candelabras, and Grecian pedestals held large Boston ferns. An elegant arrangement of white and cranberry magnolias was placed on the organ and a single red candle graced the piano. Each of the eight windows in the sanctuary held lighted hurricanes, each a bed of white magnolias with greenery and cranberry ribbon.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore a lovely gown by Lazara. The V-neck organza bodice was covered with beaded Venetian lace, and the fairy tale tulle skirt extended into a chapel train which was encircled with hand-headed Alencon lace. Her short veil fell from an ivory beaded train with the same re-embroidered Alencon lace. Her bouquet was composed of white magnolias and roses accented with green magnolia leaves and ribbons of cranberry and ivory.

Serving as bridal attendants were Brook Dempsey, Auburn; Blaire Dempsey, Dothan; Deann and Alison Smith, Elba, cousins of the bride; Shannon Bessole, Elba, cousin of the groom; and Wyndi Rugg, Elba. They wore tea-length cranberry Lalarie originals with matching satin shoes, and each wore a pearl necklace, a gift from the bride. Their bouquets were white magnolias surrounded with white tulle and ribbon.

Little Meagan Concanon, cousin of the bride, was flower girl. She wore a tea-length white English-smocked, short sleeve dress, embellished with baby white pearls.

white Entredoux and lace. Meagan carried a white crocheted basket, made by her grandmother, filled with cranberry flower petals.

The groom was attired in an elegant black tuxedo, accented with a black lapel, black tie and white satin vest. Groomsmen wore the same attire with matching black vest, and each wore a single white rose boutonniere.

Ronnie Allen was his nephew's best man. Groomsmen and ushers were Ryan Leverette and Tim Wambles of Zion Chapel, cousins of the groom. Tommy Young, Troy, brother of the bride, Phil Boggan, Selma, cousin of the bride, and Randy Jackson of Zion Chapel.

Ty Stewart, cousin of the bride, served as ring bearer. He wore short cranberry velvet pants and a white shirt with pleated front. He carried a white satin pillow trimmed with lace and pearls, also made by his grandmother.

At the close of the ceremony, Kevin paid tribute to persons who had influenced his life. He presented roses to his grandmother, Martha Nelson, his father's two sisters, Judy Ward and Anita Green, and his father's brother, Ronnie Allen.

He escorted his mother to the piano and they lit the candle in memory and honor of his father, Steve Allen.

Mrs. Sylvia Padgett directed the wedding.

**RECEPTION**  
The reception was held in the church fellowship hall.

A crystal candelabrum holding white candles served as centerpiece for the buffet table. A wreath of greenery, entwined with white and cranberry magnolia blooms surrounded the crystal punch bowl.

Nuts, mints, cheese straws, and sandwiches were served by Jan Smith, Sue Boggan, Ann Dempsey, Patty Lusk, Melinda Lee, Judy Ward and Anita Green, aunts of the bride and groom.

The bride's table held a four-tiered wedding cake embellished with white icing. A single white candle with cranberry magnolia blooms and greenery added a touch of beauty to the table. The silver cake knife and server, a gift to the couple, was engraved with their names and wedding date.

The groom's table held the two-tiered chocolate cake topped with a deer, flanked with a fruit basket and cranberry candelabras. The knife and server were used by his parents on their wedding day.

After a wedding trip to Gatlinburg, Tenn., the couple resides at their home in Pine Level.

**PRE-NUPITAL PARTIES**  
Sharon was the honoree at a miscellaneous shower at Whitewater Baptist Church Oct. 17.

The fellowship hall was beautifully decorated with the wedding colors of cranberry and white. The tables were overlaid in white linen with artistic floral and candle adornments. Punch, nuts, mints, cheese straws and cake were served from cut-glass service pieces.

Hostesses were Jean Scarbrough, Wayne White, Hattie White,

Carolyn Maddox, Merle Clark, Audrey Smith, Sylvia Padgett, Carolyn Smart, Janice Bell, Sharon Smith, Alvernise Gailmore, Elizabeth Elliott, Jeanette Windham, Helen Smith, Evelyn Holliman, O'dell Reeves, Totsie Parrish, Patsy Jones, Jean Hornsby, Pearlie Reeves, Venetia Corbi, and Betty Darga.

They presented the honoree with an eight-piece comforter set. The home of Jack and Janice Bell was the setting for a luncheon honoring Sharon on Oct. 25. Yellow chrysanthemums decorated the porch and patio area surrounding the pool. A wreath of wedding bells hung on the front door.

The living and dining room tables were beautifully set with candles, flowers, and china using the bride's colors.

Sixteen guests enjoyed a delicious meal of ham, salad, beans, rolls, and a variety of sweets.

A linen and kitchen shower was given Oct. 31 at the home of Mrs. Joe Lee, aunt of the groom. After guests played games they were served party dainties from a beautifully appointed table.

Hostesses were Patty Leverette, Shelia Nelson, Cindy Nelson, Donna Arnold, and Faye Sauls, aunts of the groom. They presented the couple with a gift certificate.

Kevin and Sharon were honored with a "Honey-Do" cookbook on Nov. 1, at the home of Larry and Judy Ward, aunt and uncle of the groom. Co-hosts were Donald and Anita Green and Ronnie Allen, aunt and uncles of the groom; Chris Green and Shannon Bessole, cousins of the groom.

The tables held silver buckets stuffed with colorful paper, ribbons and surprises, and each of the 75 guests brought a gift to help Kevin with projects around the house.

A lingerie shower was given for the bride-elect at the home of Jill Jinnigh on Nov. 8. Other hostesses were Crystal Whitt, Donna Prescott and Britley Parker, all classmates of the bride. Guests enjoyed party dainties and punch, and watched Sharon open her lovely gifts.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents, Dretta and Keith Graham, at the Elba Country Club on Nov. 20.

The club was decorated with greenery and flower arrangements, using the wedding colors.

Members of the wedding party, relatives and friends of the couple enjoyed a delicious meal of ham, chicken, potato salad, peas, beans, and dumplings, with sweets of pecan pie and red velvet cake.

Kevin and Sharon presented their attendants with keepsake gifts.

Sharon and her bridesmaids and other guests were honored Nov. 21 with a breakfast at the home of Mrs. Pam Smith.

Guests were seated at tables in the dining room, kitchen and back den, and enjoyed a three-course breakfast.

Each room was decorated with Christmas trees and other Christmas decorations. Other hosts were Ms. Martha Davis and Mr. Dina Matthews. They presented the honoree with a Christmas ornament and a basket of surprises.

**Valentine Pageant to be held February 13**

The 1999 Tri-County Valentine Sweetheart Pageant will be held Saturday, Feb. 13, at Elba Elementary School.

Age divisions include 0-12 months; 13-25 months; 2-5 years; 6-8 years; 9-11 years; 12-14 years and 15-18 years. Pageant age will be based upon the age of the contestant prior to Feb. 1, 1999.

For entry information call Mrs. Kathy Muller - 334/997-8201; Ron Miller - 334/997-6458; or Harry Young - 334/997-5097.

### "AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' COMING TO ELBA

The smash hit review, "Ain't Misbehavin'," featuring the music of jazz great Fats Waller, will be presented at the Elba High School auditorium Thursday, Feb. 18, at 6:45 p.m.

The evening's entertainment will also include The Rainer Twins, concert piano-duetists from Opp.

This special performance is made possible by the National Security Group of Elba.

For Free Tickets Call 334/987-2273, Ext. 204, or 1-800-239-2318

## NEW ARRIVAL

CHARLES NICHOLAS JOHNSON

Jeff and Vicki Johnson of Elba announce the birth of a son, Charles Nicholas Johnson, on Jan. 15, 1999 at Enterprise Medical Center. He weighed 8 lbs. 8 ozs. and measured 20 inches in length. Grandparents are Don and Annie Mae Johnson and Billy and Virginia Berry, all of Elba.

Both mother and baby are doing fine.



Cody LaDon Daniels

Cody LaDon Daniels is two years old



Macy Anne McIntosh

Macy Anne McIntosh is two years old

Macy Anne McIntosh of the Woodland Grove Community celebrated her second birthday on Jan. 24. Macy is the daughter of Scott and Stephanie (Goodson) McIntosh.

Grandparents are Roger and Shirley Goodson, New Brockton and Bobby and Peggy McIntosh, Elba. Great-grandparents are Eddie B. Goodson, New Brockton; Roshia Blanton, Jack; and Gladys Phelps, Enterprise.

Macy was honored with a Barney party on Saturday, Jan. 23 at the home of her Papa and Nana. Upon making a wish and blowing out her candles, guests enjoyed a Barney cake, chips and dip and punch. Afterwards, everyone watched Macy open her presents.

It was an exciting afternoon for Macy and her guests. Those helping her celebrate on her special day were: Mommy and Daddy, Papa and Nana, Pawpaw and Granny, Mama Goodson, Momo, Granny Phelps, Uncle Roger and Aunt Susan Allen, Aunt Camella and Cousin Donnie Hayes and Mrs. Anissa Fundum.

Please join the Children, Grandchildren and Great-children of Mary Weed Legg for the celebration of her 90th birthday on Saturday, February 13, 1999 from two until four o'clock Fellowship Hall - Brantley Baptist Church Brantley, Alabama

Your presence will be your gift. If you cannot visit with us, we would enjoy a card. Her address: 585 North Sasser St. Brantley, AL 36609

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# CHURCH

## Harris Temple plans Special Day

Harris Temple COGIC will have Family and Friends Day Feb. 7, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The church is located at 634 Adams Street in Elba. Everyone is invited.

## Enterprise First Baptist Church to hold Prayer Retreat

A Prayer Retreat will be held at Enterprise First Baptist Church, in the fellowship hall, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5 and 6.

Mrs. Stuart Calvert will lead the retreat, which will begin with a banquet at 6:30 p.m. Friday, followed by a musical concert Friday evening by Mrs. Marge Simmons of Enterprise.

A continental breakfast will be served Saturday, beginning at 8 a.m. and the retreat will end with lunch with Mrs. Calvert at 12:45 p.m.

Mrs. Calvert resides in Boaz, and

is a member of the Alabama Women's Missionary Union Executive Leadership Team. She is author of the book, "Transformed, Shaped by the Hand of God."

Reservation deadline is Feb. 1 at 3 p.m. and cost is \$15 for all sessions, \$10 for one (Friday night or Saturday morning). Checks and registration may be sent to Coffee Baptist Association, P.O. Box 127, New Hickory, AL 36351.

Those who plan to attend MUST have a reservation. For more information call 894-6411.

## HRDC taking applications for heating assistance

Human Resource Development Corporation will be taking applications for heating assistance through the federal LIHEAP program for Coffee County, on Feb. 4, at 9 a.m. at the Enterprise Recreation Center.

An applicant must be the head of household or spouse of the head of household. If an applicant is 60 years or older or disabled, he/she can authorize, in writing, an individual

to apply for him/her. The applicant must provide proof of the total household (gross) income for the month of January, 1999, a copy of a recent heating bill, and a Social Security number of the applicant and all household members.

For more information contact Human Resource Development Corp. at 347-0881; 897-2667 or

## Love's Way

Hwy. 134 West - Enterprise

## Homecoming Sunday, Feb. 7th

### Morning Worship at 10:45

Guest Speaker: Rev. Billy Cardwell  
Magnolia Assembly of God  
Grove Hill, Alabama

Covered dish lunch following morning service

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ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Milton Harrington, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

BLUE SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH  
Billy J. Reed, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Bennett Abbott, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST  
E. H. Hill, Minister  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. William Frank, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

DOKAS BAPTIST CHURCH  
Donnie Muller, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

FANON BAPTIST CHURCH  
Bernard Strickland, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Kinston  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Rev. Stephen Debus, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

KINSTON  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST  
Greg Hancey, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Service, 6:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH  
Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Service, 6:00 p.m.

MILBERRY HTS. CHURCH OF CHRIST  
R. B. Williams, Minister  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Class, 6:30 p.m.

MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION  
Mary Seavey  
Sunday Morn. Service, 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service, 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service, 5:00 p.m.

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. CHURCH  
Hirron & Linda Williams, Ministers  
Sunday, 10 & 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Evening, 7:30 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service, 7:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST  
Loreall Flowers, Minister  
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:30 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays, 11:30 a.m.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
J. R. Parks, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD  
Rev. Keith Price, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service, 7:00 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH  
A. R. Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH  
Mike Medley, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service, 5:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH  
Larry Wise, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Ben Anderson, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship, 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH  
Pastor Billy Paul McCullough  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service, 5:00 p.m.  
Res Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH  
Darryl Caldwell, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service, 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Class, 6:30 p.m.

## ROUND & ABOUT WITH ERIA

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\*\*\*Scripture: Acts 17:22-34

\*\*\*Thinking of you, praying for you: Christopher Lee, the Bradley family, Hannah Coleman, the Anderson family, Lovie Hooks, Joyce B. Johnson, Rev. Henry Ewing, Pearl Minley, Collis Belcher.

\*\*\*February Birthdays and birthdays in memory: Lula Cole, Feb. 2; Eria Lindsey Belcher, Feb. 2; Vern Lindsey Williams, Feb. 2 (In Memory); Nettie R. Lindsey, Feb. 5 (In Memory); Lucile Lindsey Rideaux, Feb. 7 (In Memory); Melzin Walker, Feb. 7 (In Memory); Timothy Williams, Feb. 9.

\*\*\*New York City Visitors: William L. English and Betty J. English of Elba traveled to New York City recently visiting William's sons, Brent and Christopher, his grandchildren, Alyson, Alyssa and Joseph Garcia and their sister, Susie A. English and family.

\*\*\*St. Mark Baptist Church, Glenwood, will celebrate the church's 102nd anniversary Sunday, Feb. 7, at 3 p.m. Rev. Carl McComb, pastor of the Daleville Christian Fellowship Church, will bring the message. Sis. Renee Dixon, secretary of Deacon's Board.

\*\*\*Youth Need to Know: Black History Month (February) African American History. Monthly Motivation: One love. One heart. Let's get together and feel alright. Bob Marley.

\*\*\*African American History Calendar: On Feb. 1, 1902, Langston Hughes is born in Joplin, Mo. He will become a prolific poet. On Feb. 4, 1913, Rosa Parks, whose actions will spark the Montgomery bus boycott, is born in Tuskegee. On Feb. 5, 1934, Henry "Hank" Aaron, Major League Baseball's future "home king," is born. On Feb. 6, 1933, Walter E. Faunt, who will become U.S. Congressman for the District of Columbia, a civil rights leader and a minister, is born.

Today is a good day! Be grateful. Eria

Center of Attention: Tia Sherris Kelley

Tia Sherris Kelley celebrated her fourth birthday at the home of her grandmother, Ernestine Kelley in Elba. Tia is the daughter of Sharon Wright and Marcus Kelley. Her birthday was Jan. 27 with her party on Jan. 30. Tia's grandmother, Gladys Wright and other family and friends extended birthday wishes.

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# SCHOOLS



## Rebel News Briefs

### FFA CHAPTER MEETS

by Cristy Houston

The January meeting of the ZC chapter of the FFA was called to order on January 21, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. with President Angie Laney calling the meeting to order. After roll call various activities were discussed. The final plans for FFA week were decided. It was announced that FFA T-shirts were on sale for \$10. Scholarship information was given to the ones who were interested. After all important business was discussed, many members participated in games. At 9:43, the meeting was adjourned.

### THIRD GRADE EARNS 1000 POINTS

by Michelle McIntosh

Miss Beverly McCall, a third grade teacher, decided to motivate her students to read in the Accelerated Reading Program. She told her students if they read enough books to reach 1000 points she would let them silly string her. Unfortunately for Miss McCall her students reached 1000 points. Only the students who read books got to silly string her from head to toe.

### SEND A MAIL-A-GRAM

by Alisha Walker and Michelle McIntosh

The Jr. Beta Club is selling Mail-A-Grams as a fund raiser for their trip to Chattanooga, Tennessee. The mail-a-grams are Valentine cards that students can send to friends with a personal message inside. There are five different cards to choose from and they come with a sticker. They will be delivered during first period Friday, February 11. The cards are 50 cents each or 3 for \$1. Anyone in grades six through twelve can buy one. See Jr. Beta members or Mrs. Henson to place your orders.

### LAND JUDGING TEAM COMPETES

by Angie Laney

Wes Bragg, Justin Prescott, and Blake Weeks recently competed at the County Land Judging Competition in New Brockton. At the competition, they had to identify the differences in soil, the methods of soil conservation, and treatment in obtaining higher production and suitable home life. The team placed fourth at this competition. The club was awarded a \$15 check.

### CLOUDS IN THIRD GRADE

by Michelle McIntosh

The third grade classes at Zion Chapel Elementary School have been studying the four different kinds of clouds. They include the stratus, nimbo-stratus, cumulus, and the cirrus. Each student has to do a project called "Kinds of Clouds." They could cut the clouds out of magazines, draw them, or make them out of items such as cotton. Each project has to be on poster board. The purpose of this project was to help the students understand the structure of clouds better.

## Ain't Nothin' But The Blues

by Charlie Maddox

"It Ain't Nothin' But The Blues" was the title of a performance seen by Zion Chapel's seventh graders and eleventh graders at the Alabama Shakespeare Festival (ASF) School Fest Program. The seventh grade went on a Tuesday and the eleventh grade went on a Wednesday of the same week. There were certain requirements that had to be met before a member of the seventh grade class was eligible to make a field trip. A person had to have passing grades and no more than one discipline slip for the semester. There were 37 students who made the field trip. Mrs. Jane Coale, Mrs. Sharon Sasser, and Mr. Randy Grant were the chaperones for the seventh graders. Mrs. Lisa Duebelt, Mr. Steve Duebelt, Terry Finner, and Mr. Randy Grant were the chaperones for the eleventh graders.

"It Ain't Nothin' But The Blues" is a narrative musical revue that explores the birth and development of the blues. According to the book-

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## Zion Chapel Honors Coffee County BOE Members

Because January is National School Board Month, members of the Coffee County Board of Education were honored with a "break-time" reception at Zion Chapel High School.



Walker & Bowden chat while eating refreshments.



Board member Barksdale (center) talks with ZC faculty member and student.

## Senior Class Career Survey

by Alisha Walker

A survey was given to the senior class. They were asked if they planned to go to college and where they wanted to go. If they were not going to college, then they were asked what they planned to do. Every one of the students who responded said they planned to go to college.

The choice of which college varied, but Troy State University was the university chosen by most. Another option many students favored was attending a junior college, such as Enterprise State Junior College or Lurleen Burns Wallace Junior College, and then transferring to a university. Other students showed interest in ULI, Auburn, and the Coast Guard Academy. Some students are still undecided.

The seniors were also asked if they could have any career, what it would be, and why. Here are some of the responses.

**Bo Adkison** - I would be a brain surgeon because I love to spend money.  
**Kendra Ward** - I would be a talk show host, just for the heck of it.  
**Michelle McIntosh** - I would be a photographer because I love taking pictures. Pictures are worth a thousand words.

**Jessica Cotton** - I would be an actress or model, for the money and to be famous.  
**Cyndi Smith** - A neonatal pediatric nurse. I like babies and children, medicine intrigues me. Therefore, it will hold my interest.  
**Carissa Walker** - Rock musician. It'd be awesome to sing and scream out your feelings and for people to relate to you that way.

**Cristy Houston** - Criminal justice, because I am interested in the law system.

Mr. Ben Amlong, Mrs. Joyce Barksdale, Mr. Charles Walker, Mr. Rubin McKinnon, Mr. Danny Jerigan, Mr. Harrell Carroll, and Mr. Jimmy Clark, members of the Board, and Mr. Rodger Bowden, superintendent, were introduced to members of the Zion Chapel faculty. Members of the student body who are in leadership positions were introduced. The school board members met the officers of both the high school SGA and the Middle School SGA, officers of both the Beta Club and the Junior Beta Club, as well as several other students.

While on campus some members of the BOE took the opportunity for a tour of the buildings and grounds. Refreshments for the reception were prepared by members of the high school faculty.



Board members Carroll and McKinnon enjoy time with ZC students.



ZC students expressed their appreciation to board members Jerigan & Amlong.

## Rebel Basketball

by Natasha Bannin

The juniors at Elba High School have started their basketball season. Each year the juniors must sell magazine subscriptions in order to attend their junior and senior proms. Friday, January 15, Mr. Mendham came to inform the students about the sale and to provide them with the necessary order books and forms. They are required to sell 15 orders or \$255 worth of magazine subscriptions.

Five dates were set at the beginning of the season to allow for the turning in of money. The successful salesmen on each of these five dates receives a prize for his or her efforts which includes a Class of '00 keychain for submitting at least 5 orders.

Please support the junior class's efforts to provide for a beautiful prom by purchasing a magazine.

**ZC Vs HOUSTON ACADEMY - Jr. Varsity**  
The Zion Chapel traveled to Dothan to play the Houston Academy Raiders. The Raiders won 53-36. The score at the half had the Raiders leading 25-21. The Rebels were in scoring by Josh Faircloth with 15 points. Josh Faircloth added 7. Alan Sanders had 5, Justin Law scored 4, and Bo Adkison added 3. Brunson and Justin Prescott each added 4 points. Wes Bragg and Jonah Edmondson had 2 points each. The JV Rebels were 3-8 from the free-throw line and committed 10 fouls.

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## Co-Op Spotlight



by Anna Maddox

This week's Co-Op Spotlight features **JEREMY DAWKINS**. Jeremy is employed by the Big/Little of Elba located on Hickman Avenue. His job includes stocking the back cooler and keeping the grounds.

Jeremy is the son of Jerry and Diane Dawkins. He is a senior at Elba High School this year and is active in the VICA program. He enjoys riding around and being with friends in his spare time. He will continue to pursue his education at MacArthur State Technical College. We are proud to shine this week's spotlight on Jeremy Dawkins.

## Tiger Tales



Anna Maddox

Editor

Daniel Murdock

Editor

## District VIII Honor Band

by Justin Maddox

On Saturday, January 16, a number of Elba High School band students traveled to Troy and tried out for spots in the All-State Honor Bands. In doing so, they also tried for a place in the District VIII Honor Bands.

Alabama is divided into 8 districts, and Southeast Alabama makes up district VIII. Therefore, the students are competing for spots against students from 13 other counties. This shows that it is quite an accomplishment to be chosen. It is encouraging to say that ten of these students were selected for spots in the bands. Ashley Harrelson, Wesley Kelley, Evan

Maddox, Carla Roberts, and Katrina Farris were selected for the Junior High Honor band. Gunter Akridge, Bethany Dye, Justin Maddox, Daniel Ward, and Deana Farris were selected to participate in the Senior High Honor Band. These students will be participating in Eufaula on January 30 and 31.

Congratulations to these players on their accomplishments. In addition to this, some of these students were also selected as All-State players. However, the tryouts for All-State are still underway. Therefore, this information will be withheld from the general public until a later date (after February 6). So check back and we'll keep you posted.

## Elba Elementary School Menu

FEB. 8 - 12, 1999

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
<b>Monday</b> - Cinnamon Toast, 1/2 Apple, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Monday</b> - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Green Salad, Corn, Crackers, Pear Half, Milk
<b>Tuesday</b> - Pancakes, w/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Tuesday</b> - Chili w/Beans, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Mixed Vegetables, 1/2 Apple-Milk
<b>Wednesday</b> - Biscuits, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Wednesday</b> - Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, English Peas, Roll, Peach Half, Milk
<b>Thursday</b> - Cheese Grits, Cereal, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk	<b>Thursday</b> - Barbecue, Cole Slaw, Rice, Bread, 1/2 Orange, Ice Cream, Milk
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#### 1ST GRADE

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#### 1ST GRADE

Whitney Bailey, Chafin Johnson, Whitney Kilcrease, Anna Petty, Whitney Sasser, Nicholas Nelson, Chris Boutwell, Tiffany Hartin, Brian Blair, Chase Boutwell, Katie Ash, Antwon Tillis, Sydney

### C Honor Roll

#### 1ST GRADE

Aaron Burks, Erica Daniels, Daneshia Jordan, Kayla Kysner, Alyssa Walden, Jessica Burks

### 4TH GRADE

#### 1ST GRADE

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## SPORTS

Views from ....

## THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

Melanie will turn 10 years old today (Thursday), and it just doesn't seem possible that my little baby will be a teenager in only three short years. I can remember changing diapers, giving baths, helping her get dressed and watching baby teeth come and go. Now, she has braces, picks out her own clothes, and some nights doesn't even remember to give her Dad a good night kiss and hug. If we can't stop this thing, can't we at least slow it down a little?

## ELBA TIGERS ENTER AREA TOURNEY ON FOUR GAME SKID

All coaches hope their teams will peak at just the right time and will enter post-season action playing their best ball of the season. While the Elba Tigers certainly aren't playing their best, they really aren't playing all that bad despite entering the area tournament this week with a four game losing streak. The Tigers have faced some of the state's top teams in recent weeks, and will carry a 15-10 record into the area tournament after suffering consecutive losses to Clayton, Enterprise, Brantley and Andalusia. The Tigers lost five of their final six regular season games, with only a narrow win over winless Opp to break what would have been an even longer skid. While the Tigers will have ten losses on their slate when the post-season action begins, only one was a big loss (Florad in Red Level tourney), and the Tigers have proven to everyone that they can play any team on their schedule tough, and that with a break or two they can beat just about anybody around. It will be interesting to see if the Tigers can overcome their late-season swoon and get some important wins in the post-season.

One bright spot last week in the Tigers' four games was the play of sophomore center Tim Ware. Ware, a 6-5 leaper, scored an average of 24 points a game in the busy week of action, and really seemed to take his game to another level at the most important time of the season. If Ware can keep it up, may be he can spark the Tigers to some upsets as they battle for a berth in the final four.

## TAKING A PEEK AT UPCOMING AREA TOURNAMENTS

It is "Tournament Time" for the teams in the area, and that means the second season is here and the excitement level will skyrocket for all true basketball fans. Here is a quick look at what to expect in post-season play for the teams in the area....

\*\*\*NEW BROCKTON is playing its best ball of the season and should be the team to beat in its area, especially since the tournament is being played at the Gamecock gym. The Gamecocks have made some very unexpected exits at times in tournaments, but this year should be set to win the event and host a sub-state game. The Gamecocks aren't really a state tourney contender, but should have a solid chance at making it to the regionals.

\*\*\*BRANTLEY is not playing its best ball of the season and appears to be only the second best team in its own area, behind Pleasant Home. The Bulldogs will have to beat Pleasant Home on its own court to win the tournament (something they did a year ago), but win or lose, the Bulldogs do appear to have a very good shot at making it to the regionals. While the Bulldogs aren't as good as expected, they know how to win and are still a very legitimate threat to make it to Birmingham.

\*\*\*KINSTON has struggled through a very disappointing season and will carry a lackluster 3-16 record into the area tournament. The Bulldogs have lost 11 straight games during their most recent slide, and while they could pull off an upset with an outstanding night, more than likely the season will end this week for the Dogs.

\*\*\*ZION CHAPEL got a big win over Kinston and almost stunned New Brockton last week, making the Rebels a team to keep an eye on in this week's tournament. The Rebels have one of the areas top players in Josh Grantham and a crafty coach in Doug Branson, and you can never count the Rebels out. Too bad Florad sits in their way.

## GIRLS TEAMS COULD FACE TOUGH ROAD IN TOURNAMENTS

The high school girls area tournaments will also take place this week, and it looks like a tough week ahead for all the girls teams. The Elba Lady Tigers will carry an 11-13 record into the area tourney in Clayton, but has been blasted by Slocumb twice already, and simply doesn't match up well in the opening round game. New Brockton happens to be in the area with two of the state's top 2A teams in Red Level and Straughn, and should make an early exit, while Kinston and Zion Chapel appear out-classed in post-season play. Better days are ahead for the girls programs in the area, but this year they may not be anything to get excited about in tournament action.

## ONCE OVER, NOT ALWAYS SO LIGHTLY....

\*\*\*Everyone has heard about the problems that Title IX has caused in the college athletic programs, but the federal regulation that requires gender equity in sports programs is now beginning to rear its head in the high school ranks. Last week it was announced that the Office of Civil Rights had informed the Madison County Board of Education that it would conduct an investigation into possible Title IX violations. Two years ago Sparkman High School went through such an investigation and it was concluded that Sparkman was guilty of having unequal practice times and playing fields for boys baseball and girls softball; problems with the scheduling of practice times, particularly between boys basketball and girls volleyball; and an inequitable number of coaches. In the investigation of Madison County schools, the OCR has requested that the school board make known: the types of transportation used for each boys and girls game; the places the team traveled and the distance; a listing of all teams with letters showing the number of participants of each sex on each team; practice and competitive schedules for all teams and starting times of first practices; lists of teams, by sex, that competed in post-season events; per diem allowances for male and female athletes by team; and a listing of all locker rooms, practice and competitive facilities used by each team, the age of

each facility, its location and who uses the facility. Some of the school systems in the state have older facilities and are limited in practice space, and time, and this ruling could be just the beginning of even more expensive renovations, or construction of newer facilities for the girls to use.

\*\*\*The State Board of Education's "No Pass, No Play" policy is expected to get modified at a Feb. 11 meeting, and the change should give students more of a chance to participate than not participate. Last year the school board approved the "Academics First" program that applied to all students in grades 8-12, and stated that in order to participate in extracurricular activities during the 1999-2000 school year students would have to pass six courses, including four core courses of math, science, social studies and English, and maintain an overall average of 70. If a student didn't meet the standards in the 1998-1999 school year, they would be barred from extracurricular activities for the entire 1999-2000 school year. A Legislative Council voted 20-0 that the penalty should be shorter, and at next week's meeting it is expected that the school board will change the policy to state that students may return to activities after one semester if they pull up their grades enough to be passing six courses and have a 70 average overall for the last two semesters. This change would still make the previous semester's grades count, since the overall 70 average would include all courses for the two semester span. Some feared that students could flunk every subject one semester, then simply pass four easy subjects and go to summer school to regain eligibility. Not so! The change will put a hardship on schools, since grades must be monitored almost weekly. However, it may help a few students that otherwise might have dropped out. Only time will tell.

## Varsity players and cheerleaders honored

## Elba Tigers hold annual football awards banquet

The 1998 Elba Tiger football team and cheerleaders were honored on Friday night, Jan. 29, with the annual "Football Awards Banquet," at the Elba High School cafeteria. Elba's Coach David Sikes welcomed the gathering of players, cheerleaders and supporters by stating "We are here tonight to celebrate winning the area championship and to recognize these good young men that took on many challenges and never once backed down."

"This group young men faced drug testing and never wavered," added Sikes. "While some students may not have played because of the testing, this group faced it head on and all passed. They faced a very tough schedule that included a state champion and many state playoff teams, but took on the challenge each and every week. They also faced a challenge every Monday at practice when the hours and work was long and hard. Parents, you should be proud of these young men!"

Coach Sikes and assistant coach Wynn Grimes presented the players with certificates of appreciation. Those receiving certificates included seniors Derrick Duncan, Keni Mitchell, Eric Jordan, Josh Hedge, Kevin Dodd, Lance Boutwell, O'Shay Hammond, Keni Mitchell, Robert Aponte, Michael Goodwin, Eric Jordan and Lance Boutwell.

Cheerleader sponsor Susan Barnes stated "We began the season with a gift to show their appreciation. After the senior members of the football team received their game jerseys, Coach Sikes and assistants Wynn Grimes and Mike Waters made special presentations.

Receiving trophies were sophomores Cammie Kelley, Camenda Andrews, Jep Dubose, Britt Grimes, Gavin Mauldin and Carson Waters. Also receiving a certificate was manager Patrick Tyson.



AWARD WINNERS....at last week's Elba Tiger football banquet included (l-r) Lance Boutwell - Academic Award, Jep Dubose - MVP Offensive line, Keni Mitchell - MVP Defense and Eric Jordan - MVP Offense. Not pictured is Josh Lawford - Coach's Award winner.



Coach David Sikes honored seniors at last week's Elba Tiger football awards banquet. Pictured above are (front row, l-r) senior cheerleaders Julie Roberson, Lisa Wing and Laura Crowe. (Back row, l-r) Coach Sikes, Derrick Duncan, Josh Hedge, Tim Cotter, Kevin Dodd, O'Shay Hammond, Keni Mitchell, Robert Aponte, Michael Goodwin, Eric Jordan and Lance Boutwell.

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1998 ELBA TIGER TEAM CAPTAINS - Coach David Sikes is pictured above with the 1998 Elba Tiger "Team Captains." Pictured are (l-r) Coach Sikes, Derrick Duncan, Lance Boutwell, Kevin Dodd, Keni Mitchell and Eric Jordan.

## Turkey calling contest set for Feb. 11 in Linden

Turkey callers will cluck, cackle, yelp, cut, gobble and even hoot for more than \$1,000 in prizes at the Alabama Turkey Hunters Hall of Fame "13th annual Turkey Calling Contest" on Feb. 11, in Linden, Alabama.

The hunter division is open to all who have never won in the professional division. The junior division is for hunters ages 16 and younger. The owling competition is a free-for-all with no age limits.

Callers from as far away as Dallas and Atlanta, Mobile and Memphis

will come to compete and learn, and over 100 people are expected to witness Salter demonstrate the tree call, the fly-down cackle, the assembly call, gobbles, kee-kee run and old favorites.

Doors will open at 4:00 PM at the Marengo Academy coliseum on Highway 43 South, in Linden, with the contest to begin at 6:30, in the junior division.

Callers and spectators who need more information may call 1-334-295-4151.

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## SPORTS

## Watch Area title hopes slip away

## Tigers fall victim to Clayton rally 66-59

The Elba Tigers saw their area championship hopes dashed last Tuesday night when the Clayton Tigers came to town and posted a 66-59 win to claim the area title, and the home court advantage in the area tournament.

The loss left Elba with a 15-7 record, 2-2 in area play, while Clayton improved its record to 10-6, 4-0 in area action.

The Tigers jumped out to an early 6-2 lead behind the inside scoring of Tim Ware, and opened up a 10-4 lead with 4:29 left in the opening stanza as Ware dropped in a pair of short jumpers to score Elba's first ten points of the game.

The Tigers carried a 16-10 lead into the second stanza, and quickly extended their lead to 21-12 on a jumper by Daniel Murdock and a three-point shot by Wayne Reed. Clayton was down, but not about to throw in the towel, and responded with a 6-0 run of its own to chop the Elba advantage to 21-18 with 4:42 left in the half.

Tim Ware scored four points over a one minute span as the Tigers extended their lead to 27-18 with 2:57 left in the quarter, and Elba appeared to be back in charge at the 2:17 mark when Ware scored from inside to put the Tigers on top 29-20. Clayton again answered the Elba challenge; however, and outscored

the Tigers 8-1 down the stretch to cut the Elba lead to 30-28 by the end of the half.

Clayton scored the first six points of the third quarter to take a 34-30 lead with 6:22 left in the stanza, but this time it was Elba's turn to rally, and the Tigers did just that as Tim Ware scored two buckets inside and Wayne Reed nailed a jumper to put the Tigers back in front 36-35 with 3:51 still remaining in the third quarter.

Clayton teed off five straight points to take a 40-36 lead with 2:01

remaining, and despite a late Tiger rally, Clayton carried a 42-40 lead into the final quarter of play.

Clayton upped its lead to 46-40 with 6:31 left in the game, and after the Tigers closed to within 46-44 with 4:56 left on a lay-up by Wayne Reed, then went on an 11-3 run to take a big 57-47 advantage with 2:12 left on the clock.

Clayton was still in command at 60-50 with only :59 left, and survived a last-second Tiger rally to leave town with the 66-59 win, and the area title.

Tim Ware poured in 34 points to lead Elba, while Wayne Reed added 13. Rodgers scored 20 points to lead four Clayton scorers that reached double-digits.

C 10 18 14 24 - 66  
E 16 14 10 19 - 59

Clayton (66): T. Person 12, Reeves 10, Glover 7, Person 15, Turner 2, Rodgers 20.  
Elba (59): Jordan 4, Hill 1, Murdock 2, Reed 13, Wicker 2, Ware 34.

## In double-overtime thriller

## Tigers fall to Enterprise 68-61

The Elba Tigers battled the 6A Enterprise Wildcats on even terms through four quarters and one overtime Thursday night in Enterprise, but then saw the Wildcats take advantage of the Tigers' foul woes in the second extra period to pull away and escape with a wild 68-61, double-overtime victory.

The loss left Elba with a 15-8 record, while the win upped Enterprise's record to 9-7. The Wildcats came out ready to play against the 3A Tigers and appeared to be in complete control by grabbing a quick 12-4 lead, only to see the Tigers close with a flurry as Tim Ware slammed down a dunk and Eric Jordan nailed a three-point bomb at the buzzer to pull Elba within 14-11.

Enterprise regained command at 18-11 early in the second stanza, but Elba refused to go away and hung tough as they went in at the half trailing only 23-19 thanks to a

Jordan jumper with :05 left on the clock. Elba never let the Wildcats out of their sights in the third quarter; however, Enterprise refused to let the Tigers take the lead, and led until Eric Jordan hit another buzzer to pull the Tigers even at 38-38 heading into what was expected to be the final stanza.

The Tigers saw the Wildcats move back on top 41-38 early in the fourth quarter, but Elba reeled off seven straight points after the three-point play and jumped ahead 45-41. Enterprise responded with an 8-0 run of its own to regain the lead at 49-45, only to see Jordan nail a jumper and Ware slam home another dunk to tie the game at 49-49 at the end of regulation.

Eric Jordan hit two free-throws with :18 left in the first overtime to give the Tigers a 55-54 lead, but the Wildcats answered with a free-throw at the :05 mark to tie the score

at 55-55 to send the game into a second extra period. The two cross-country rivals swapped baskets early in the second overtime as the score remained knotted at 59-59, but Enterprise converted on a three-point play with 1:11 left to take a 62-59 lead and then converted key free-throws in the final minute to pull away and escape with the 68-61 win.

Tim Ware scored 20 points and rattled the rims with four dunks to lead the Tigers, while Eric Jordan added 18 points. John Marsh scored 22 points to lead the Wildcats and hit on 10 of 12 free-throws.

EN 14 9 15 11 6 11 - 68  
EL 11 8 19 11 6 6 - 61

E'prise (68): Johnson 32, Blackburn 10, Bazille 13, Marshall 2, Williams 18.  
Elba (61): Jordan 18, Duncan 4, Reed 9, Wicker 8, Ware 20.

## Tiger losing streak reaches 3 games

## Brantley rallies to dump Elba 50-39

The Elba Tigers saw their losing streak reach three games Saturday night when they fell to the Brantley Bulldogs 50-39, in Brantley.

The loss left the Tigers with a 15-9 record, while the Bulldogs improved their record to 15-5 with the win.

Elba used its combination of a stingy man-to-man defense with a patient offense in the opening stanza and slowed down the high-powered Bulldogs to move on top 3-2 with 3:35 left in the first quarter. Brantley did hit a bucket late in the stanza, however, and grabbed the lead at 7-5 heading into the second quarter.

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The Alabama ASA umpire clinic will be held at the Dothan Holiday Inn West on Sunday, Feb. 7, with registration to be held from 8:00 - 9:00 AM.

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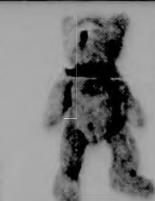
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## SPORTS

## Sting remain undefeated with exciting 20-17 win over Mystics in girls basketball

The Elba Youth Basketball League, sponsored by the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, continued its season last week with action in all five divisions.

Following are last week's highlights:

## BOYS 10 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Wildcats 32 Hoyas 19 - The Wildcats took command in the fourth quarter to post an exciting 32-19 win over the Hoyas. The Wildcats trailed 13-8 at the half, but sneaked ahead 14-13 in the third quarter and then scored in 18 points in the final stanza to pull away and claim the win. Scoring for the Wildcats were Duke Carr 12, Reynar Rogers 8, Lewis Johnson 6, Lewis Johnson 4 and Ron Hill 2. Scoring for the Hoyas were LaRay Williams 13, Mason Gully 2, Chase Boutwell 2 and Stephen Driggers 2.

\*\*\* Blazers 21 Bruins 8 - The Blazers pulled ahead in the second quarter and pulled away in the second half to down the Bruins 21-8. The Blazers trailed 4-2 after one quarter, but sneaked ahead 8-6 at the half, and then pulled away to post the win. Scoring for the Blazers were Lonzo Cooks 11, Justin Knight 6 and Nicholas Nelson 4. Scoring for the Bruins were Zach Spann 3, Aaron Jacobs 2, David Davis 2 and Rob Sanders 1.

## BOYS 8 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Tigers vs. Hornets - The Tigers and Hornets played a hard fought game and combined to burn the nets. Scoring for the Tigers were Gavin Repress, Cordele Hooks, Justin Hammonds and Caleb Davis. Scoring for the Hornets were Sam Williams, Aaron Drewery and Tyrese Daniels.

\*\*\* Jaguars vs. Bulldogs - The Jaguars and Bulldogs played in a hotly contested game and gave the fans plenty to cheer about. Scoring for the Jaguars were Michael Spurlin and Drew Gillis. Scoring for the Bulldogs were Tyler Wilson and Nick Weeks.

\*\*\* Tigers vs. Trojans - The Tigers and Trojans played one of the best games of the young season and heard cheers from the crowd. Scoring for the Tigers were Graham Morrow and Will Gray. Scoring for the Trojans were Matthew Gibson, John Jared, Jason Mitchell, Trey Belcher and Dikembe Bullard.

## GIRLS 8 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Sparks vs. Rockers - The Sparks and Rockers played a great defensive game and battled until the final horn. Playing well on defense for the Sparks were Kayla Kyser, Chessie Cross, Maize Thomas and Tiffany Bryan. Playing well on defense for the Rockers were Tiffany Johnson, Kayla Jones, Kydra Tillis, Kierra Robertson and Kyno Coleman.

## BOYS 14 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Huskies 34 Tarheels 17 - The Huskies led all the way to rip the Tarheels 34-17. The Huskies owned an 18-8 halftime lead and slowly pulled away to post the big win. Scoring for the Huskies were Quinton Gavin 9, Timothy Daniels 5, John Buchanan 5, Stefan Burks 4, Brandon Wilson 3, Jessie Schultz 2, Alex Allen 2, Dominique Miller 1 and Quinton Robinson 1. Scoring for the Tarheels were Lowayne Parks 2, Brandon Petty 2, Andrew Stoudemire 2, Lance Cross 2, J.T. Spurlock 2 and Brent Bowers 1.

\*\*\* Hoosiers 37 Tarheels 21 - The Hoosiers used a big fourth quarter to pull away and down the Tarheels 37-21. The Hoosiers led only 13-11 at the half and 24-19 after three quarters, but broke loose late to run away with the win. Scoring for the Hoosiers were Colby Skinner 11, Clark Skinner 10, Jessie Thigpen 8, Aaron Harrison 6 and Shane Williams 2. Scoring for the Tarheels were Brent Bowers 10, Brandon Petty 6, Lowayne Parks 4, Chase Davis 3, Andrew Stoudemire 2 and Lance Cross 2.

## GIRLS 12 AND UNDER

\*\*\* Starz 15 Shock 6 - The Starz pulled away late to down the Shock 15-6. The Starz led only 7-5 after three quarters, but broke loose late and rolled to the win. Scoring for the Starz were Ashley Gibson 5, Allison Brunson 4, Lacy Carlile 4 and Nicole Purvis 2. Scoring for the Shock were Cameron Irwin 2, Lyndsay Lawford 2 and Rashanda Flowers 2.

\*\*\* Sting 20 Mystics 17 - The Sting staged a furious fourth quarter rally to defeat the Mystics 20-17. The Sting trailed 7-0 after one quarter and 17-8 after three quarters, but rallied late to pull out the win. Scoring for the Sting were Ayonna Proctor 15, Emily Paul 2, Whitney Lawford 2 and Allison Smith 1. Scoring for the Mystics were Elena McCormick 6, Teneisha Tyson 4, Kristen Barnes 3, Stephanie Baxley 2 and Michelle Carpenter 2.

## YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, FEB. 4

5:30 - Tide vs. Trojans  
6:30 - Hornets vs. Bulldogs

## SATURDAY, FEB. 6

9:00 - Shock vs. Sting  
10:00 - Mystics vs. Starz  
11:00 - Huskies vs. Hoosiers  
12:00 - Wildcats vs. Blazers  
1:00 - Huskies vs. Tarheels  
2:00 - Hoyas vs. Bruins

## Softball tournament planned for March 6th in Elba

There will be a men's softball tournament in Elba at Hawkins-Strickland at 347-0286, Keith Williams ballpark on March 6, 1999. This is a three home run limit tournament. Entry fee is \$100 per team.



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## Fall to Clayton in double overtime

## Lady Tigers see record slip to 11-13

The Elba Lady Tigers hit the court twice last week and suffered two losses to see their record for the season slip to 11-13.

Elba opened the week in Opp and fell to the Opp Lady Bobcats 63-23, then battled the Clayton Lady Tigers with the area title on the line and dropped a 60-47 decision, in double overtime.

Following are highlights of both games:

## OPP 63

## ELBA 23

The Elba Lady Tigers traveled to Opp last Monday night and were simply no match as they were blasted by the Opp Lady Bobcats 63-23.

The Lady Tigers hung tough with the state's 10th ranked 5A team in the opening stanza and trailed only 16-11 after one quarter of play, but the Lady Bobcats picked up the intensity in the second quarter to open up a 37-16 halftime lead, and then outscored Elba 26-7 in the second half to post the lopsided win. Rachel Bludworth scored 6 points to lead Elba, while Womack led Opp with 25 points.

## Elba's D'Undray Peterson named to 1998 Gulf South Conference "All-Academic" football squad

The University of West Alabama placed five athletes on the Gulf South Conference "All-Academic" teams announced recently, and also placed 15 other athletes on the Academic Honor Roll.

The football team led the way with three All-Academic performers, while men's cross country and volleyball had one apiece.

Included among the three members of the West Alabama football team to earn "All-Academic" honors was Elba's D'Undray Peterson, a sophomore fullback.

Peterson, a sophomore fullback, has a 3.33 GPA and is majoring in Psychology. He is also active in Campus Outreach and is a member of the Gospel and University Choirs at UWA.



Roland Powell killed this 170-pound, 8-point buck while hunting on Jan. 23. The impressive rack rated 136 points on the Boone & Crockett scale. The deer was killed on land owned and managed by Coffee County Hunters and Fishers Association.



Jody Bass bagged this pie ball spike last Tuesday morning while hunting in Northeast Coffee County. Also pictured is his brother and hunting partner, Jamie Bass.

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into overtime when Detria Jones hit a free-throw with only seconds remaining. The teams managed only one basket each in the first extra period, but Elba saw three starters foul out in the second extra period and Clayton pulled away to post the wild 60-47 win.

Roshanda McKinnon scored 21 points to lead Elba, while Blackman scored 39 to lead Clayton.

Clayton (60): Gilbert 1, Lawrence 9, Birmingham 5, Blackman 39, Person 6.

Elba (47): Jones 8, Daniels 4, Boyd 3, McKinnon 21, Mack 2, Bludworth 7.

Clayton 60  
Elba 47

The Elba Lady Tigers battled the highly-touted Clayton Lady Tigers on even terms throughout four quarters and one overtime period last Tuesday night in Elba, but then found the going a little too tough in the second extra period with three starters on the bench as Clayton pulled away to claim the 60-47 win, and leave town with the area title.

Elba played its game to near perfection throughout the opening two quarters and used the scoring punch of Roshanda McKinnon to carry a 24-19 lead in at the half. Clayton rallied in the third quarter to pull even at 33-33; however, Elba refused to fold and send the game

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## Gamecocks clinch area with 63-54 win over Tigers

The New Brockton Gamecocks clinched the area crown last Tuesday night with a 63-54 win over the Red Level Tigers, in New Brockton. Kellen Cole scored 17 points to lead the (15-7) Gamecocks, while Josh Lewis added 13 and Pate Harrison scored 10. Troy Feagin scored 16 points to lead (14-8) Red Level.

## Zion Chapel pounds Kinston Bulldogs 57-29

The Zion Chapel Rebels snapped a long losing streak last Tuesday night by pounding the Kinston Bulldogs 57-29, in Zion Chapel. Josh Grantham scored 24 points and Junior Jones added 12 to lead the (3-14) Rebels.

## Kinston Lady Bulldogs stun Lady Rebels 30-28

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs picked up their first win of the season last Tuesday night in Zion Chapel with an exciting 30-28 win over the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels. Rebecca Kidd scored 10 points to lead the (2-15) Lady Rebels.

## New Brockton tames G.W. Long 43-40

The New Brockton Gamecocks continued their recent winning ways on Thursday night with an exciting 43-40 win over the G.W. Long Rebels, in New Brockton. Kellen Cole scored 19 points to lead the (16-7) Gamecocks, while Derrick Watson led Long with 14 points.

## Lady Gamecocks fall to G.W. Long 47-35

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks found the going a little too tough Thursday night as they were defeated by the G.W. Long Lady Rebels 47-35, in New Brockton. Krista Morrison scored 12 points to lead the (18-1) Lady Rebels, while Kendra Cole scored 16 points for the (8-16) Lady Gamecocks.

## New Brockton slips past Zion Chapel 51-47

The New Brockton Gamecocks hosted the Zion Chapel Rebels on Friday night and escaped with a hard fought 51-47 win. Kellen Cole scored 16 points to lead the (17-7) Gamecocks, while Josh Lewis added 13 and Jason McKenzie scored 11. Josh Grantham poured in 31 points to lead the (3-15) Rebels.

## Kinston tripped by G.W. Long 66-49

The Kinston Bulldogs saw their victory drought continue Friday night as the G.W. Long Rebels downed the Bulldogs 66-49, in Skipperville. Derrick Watson scored 28 points to lead the (9-10) Rebels, while Tim Nobles scored 20 points for the (3-15) Bulldogs.

## Brantley Bulldogs outscored by Goshen 114-104

The Brantley Bulldogs and Goshen Eagles put on one of the most exciting offensive shows of the season Friday night in Goshen, and when the final horn finally sounded it was the Eagles that left the court with the wild 114-104 win. DeMario Wiley scored 34 points to spark the (14-5) Bulldogs, while Javare Cooper added 28 and Zack Burnett scored 19. Derrick Wright scored 50 points to lead the (16-2) Eagles.

## Kinston Lady Bulldogs fall to G.W. Long 60-40

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs traveled to Skipperville Friday night and came out on the short end of a 60-40 decision with the G.W. Long Lady Rebels. Krista Morrison scored 24 points to lead the (19-1) Lady Rebels, while Kristen Bowdoin led the (1-15) Lady Bulldogs with 12 points.

## Gamecocks fall hard to Goshen Eagles 61-40

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw their eight game winning streak snapped Saturday afternoon with a 61-40 loss to the Goshen Eagles, in New Brockton. Kellen Cole and Pate Harrison scored 9 points apiece for the (17-8) Gamecocks, while Jamar Tucker scored 16 points for the (17-2)

## Home Run Derby set for Feb. 13 at Dothan park

The 1999 Wiregrass High School "Home Run Derby" will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13, at Northcutt Field, in Dothan, with over sixty area high school baseball players expected to compete.

The competition will begin at 4:00 PM, with an autograph signing by Atlanta's Ryan Klesko and Montreal's Mike Mordecai to be held from 4:00 until 5:00. Admission is \$5.

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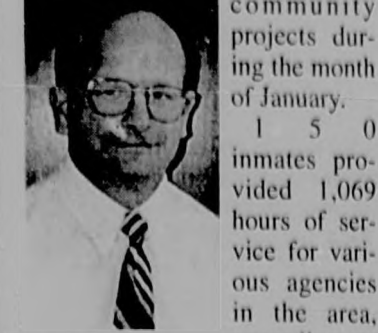
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## Work Release inmates contribute to community projects throughout area

by Linda Hodge

Department of Correction inmates at the Elba Work Release spent over 1,000 hours working on community projects during the month of January.



Dewayne Estes, warden of the Elba Work Release facility.

Agencies requesting assistance from the Dept. of Corrections included: the Adopt-A-Mile program, Town of Kinston, City of Elba, Elba Recycling, Elba Police Dept., Elba National Guard, City of Daleville,

Enterprise National Guard and Daleville National Guard.

Just as there was an array of agencies requesting assistance, the inmates worked on a variety of projects.

The City of Elba, Elba Police Dept., Town of Kinston, Elba Recycling and City of Daleville were assisted by approximately 90 inmates on general labor projects, and 39 inmates assisted the National Guards of Elba, Enterprise and Daleville with cleaning and maintenance jobs. Of the inmates assisting with the general labor projects, some also assisted with garbage collection in the Town of Kinston and washing cars for the Elba Police Dept. The remaining 21 inmates of the 150 assisted the Adopt-A-Mile program by cleaning roadways.

According to the information from Estes, the work of the inmates on these projects during January equaled a dollar value of \$5,506.35.

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## Southtrust declares quarterly dividend

The Board of Directors of SouthTrust Corporation declared an increased quarterly cash dividend of \$2.2 per share, up 16 percent over the \$1.9 paid last year. The dividend is payable April 1, to stockholders of record at the close of business Feb. 26.

SouthTrust Corporation common stock trades on the NASDAQ Stock Market under the symbol SOTR.

## Local ADC will elect new officers on Saturday, February 6

The Coffee County unit of the Alabama Democratic Conference will hold their election of officers and executive committee on Saturday, Feb. 6, 1999 at 10 a.m. at Saint Beulah Baptist Church in Enterprise. All eligible voting members are asked to be present and on time for the meeting. For more information call 347-0918 or 347-5294.

## New art class will be offered at ESJC as a special interest course

Tote and Decorative Painting is such a popular special interest course, Enterprise State Junior College offers it each semester. For spring semester, this course is scheduled for a second session on Thursdays, March 4 through April 15 from 6 until 9 p.m. The registration deadline is Feb. 25.

This course provides instruction for beginners and advanced painters. Painting will be done with acrylics on wood or metal. There is a \$30 fee for this course. Students may bring their own supplies. Students must be at least 12-years-old. For more information call 393-ESJC, ext. 234.

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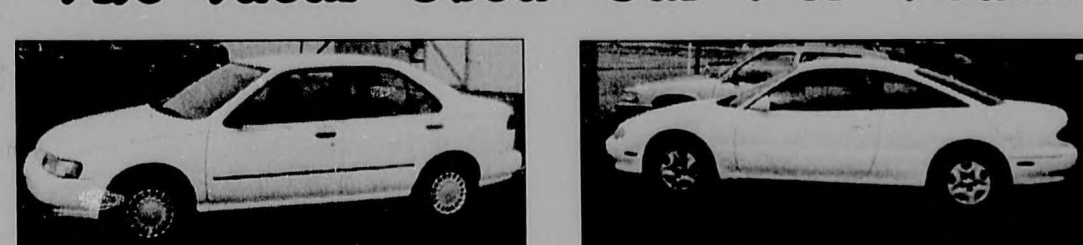
## Dorsey announces improved 4th quarter

Dorsey Trailers, Inc. (DSYT) announced that net income for the fourth quarter of 1998 was \$3 million, or \$2.00 per share compared to net income for the same period in 1997 of \$2.2 million or \$0.04 per share. Dorsey incurred a net loss for 1998 of \$5.5 million or \$1.0 per share compared to a net loss for 1997 of \$10.2 million or \$2.03 per share, a \$9.7 million improvement over the corresponding period. Net sales for the fourth quarter of 1998 were \$39.3 million compared to net sales for the same period in 1997 of \$38.4 million. New trailer sales for the fourth quarter of 1998 increased by 7.0 percent to \$38.3 million compared with new trailer sales for the same period in 1997 of \$35.8 million. Net sales for 1998 were \$150.3 million compared to net sales in 1997 of \$157 million. New trailer sales for 1998 were 145.2 million compared with new trailer sales in 1997 of \$136.7 million. Net sales reflect a lower volume of used trailer sales as well as a loss of revenue due to the March 1998 flood and the hurricane activity of August and September.

Marilyn R. Marks, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Operating income has improved from a loss of \$8.9 million in 1997 to a profit of \$0.8 million in 1998, reflecting the company's successes in managing costs and improving operating efficiencies. The fourth quarter of 1998 produces our best sales for the same period in 1997 of \$35.8 million. Net sales for 1998 were \$150.3 million compared to net sales in 1997 of \$157 million."

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## Area residents among UA graduates

The University of Alabama awarded some 1,200 degrees at fall commencement exercises on the Tuscaloosa campus. UA holds commencement three times a year. Recent degree recipients include: Julie Laree Davis, Elba; William Lee Carter, Joseph Brian Edgeworth, Donna Sisley Miller and Granison McCaskey, all of Enterprise.

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THE ELBA CITY COUNCIL declared February 19th as Ronald McKinnon Day in Elba. The professional football player will be talking to several groups in the Elba schools on that day. The council authorized Mayor James Grimes to issue a proclamation honoring the Elba High School graduate.

In other business the council accepted bids on re-roofing the city hall and front part of the recreation building; voted to borrow money to renovate the old jail; got a report from the police department and officially approved annual insurance premiums and completed several housekeeping chores.

Two firms bid on re-roofing the city hall and recreation building. ESMAC, of Enterprise, was low bidder. They bid \$13,533 on the recreation building and \$17,991 on the city hall. The council voted to award the contract to ESMAC.

Mayor Grimes reported on the status of renovating the old Coffee County jail. He said the Chamber of Commerce estimates it will cost \$100,000 to complete the project and they have \$18,000 on hand. The city has been asked to borrow \$60,000 to do the work, because they can get a lower interest rate. If the Chamber and the Economic Development office have not raised the necessary money by the time the project is completed, they will pay the city enough rent to pay off the loan. Grimes recommended the loan. It was approved with two no votes. Council members Ben Carpenter, Michael Carroll, Derrick Cook, Stacy Costner, Blake Drewery, Matthew Fales, Ashley Flowers, J.C. Griffin, Tila Hogan, Andrea Holloway, Brandi Howard, Joshua Howell, Whitney Mack, Hilary Mock, John Sawyer, Brad Sewell, Robert Spencer, Lindsey Tillery, Justin West, Delores Williams, Mark Windham.

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## Elba City Council meeting routine

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Monthly bills totaling \$16,391.70 were approved for payment. They included \$3,734.32 for vehicle and equipment repair and maintenance; \$380.85 for chemicals; \$466.05 for asphalt mix and \$632.22 for advertising. Upon approving payment of the bills, council members were heard muttering relief that bills are finally getting back down to normal levels following the March, 1998 flood.

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**ONE-VEHICLE CRASH KILLS ONE...** A one-car crash east of Elba, inside the city limits, on U.S. Highway 84 took the life of Robert Rufus "Rudy" Mann, 53, of Elba, AL. The accident occurred shortly before 4:00 p.m. last Friday afternoon. Police officers responding to the report that a car had left the road near the old Bradshaw Store discovered a late model Oldsmobile off the roadway down in a ravine with one occupant. Fire and rescue personnel were dispatched to the scene. After the car, which was resting on its side in a dangerous position, was secured, rescue workers removed Mann from the vehicle and transported him to Elba General Hospital. Mann died a short time later of injuries sustained in the accident. An autopsy was performed to determine the cause of death. The accident remains under investigation by the Elba Police Department and Coffee County Coroner Marvin McIlwain assisted by the District Attorney's Office and Alabama Department of Forensic Science.

REVENUE COMMISSION NOT HAPPY WITH VAULT

## Commission backs up on sheriff's patrol car

by Marvin McIlwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission meeting was a little late in getting started Monday and it was probably due to a cake that had been provided to go along with the morning coffee - everybody had to try it.

One of the first items of business addressed was the purchase of a new car for the sheriff's department. In the last commission meeting, approval was given to purchase a reconditioned patrol car from Pursuit Unlimited providing a settlement could be reached on the last vehicle purchased from the firm.

County Attorney Kenneth Fuller told commissioners that he had spoken to the president of the company and he had agreed to give the county a \$1,500 credit on the 1995 vehicle that was sold to the county instead of a 1996 as had been specified.

Fuller commented that according to the NADA book value the difference between a 1995 and 1996 Crown Victoria Ford is \$3,100.00.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Len Averett made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kayo Lewis to rescind the motion made in the last meeting to

purchase a reconditioned patrol car from Pursuit Unlimited. The motion passed unanimously.

Then, Commissioner Doug Dalrymple made a motion seconded by Commissioner Linda Westbrook to reject the \$1,500 offer made by Pursuit Unlimited and instruct the county attorney to attempt to negotiate a higher settlement in the previous car deal.

With the matter of the sheriff needing a patrol car to replace the wrecked one again pending, the commission entered into a discussion as to what action to take.

Commissioner Robert Stephens proposed that the commission authorize the purchase of a new Ford Crown Victoria with the "police package" - heavy duty suspension, electrical and cooling systems, and additional body reinforcement. The cost of this vehicle on state bid is \$19,600.